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Robert Schick, Director
NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation
Division of Environmental Remediation
625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12233

Re: **Proposed Plan &
Explanation of Significant Difference**
Li Tungsten Operable Units 1 & 2
Site #130046
Glen Cove, Nassau County

Dear Mr. Schick:

At your Department's request, staff reviewed the USEPA's May 2016 Proposed Plan and Explanation of Significant Difference (ESD) document for the referenced site to determine whether the remedy selected for the site is protective of public health. I understand that a *Record of Decision* to address contamination at the site was issued by the USEPA in 1999. The 1999 remedy included removal and off-site disposal of soil above site-specific cleanup levels. The purpose of the current proposed plan is to address contamination remaining following remedial activities previously implemented. Human exposures to this residual contamination will be addressed by the proposed plan as follows:

- Soil: Excavation and off-site disposal of soil exceeding site-specific impacts to groundwater cleanup levels. A site cover system will be required to allow for restricted-residential use of the site in accordance with 6NYCRR Part 375. Use and development of the site will be restricted to restricted-residential, commercial, and industrial uses. An excavation plan will be developed to manage human exposures to residually contaminated soil properly.
- Groundwater: Use of groundwater on the site, without appropriate water quality treatment, will be restricted.
- Soil Vapor: If new buildings are developed on the site, then soil vapor intrusion evaluations will be completed and appropriate actions to address exposure implemented.

Periodic reviews will be completed to certify that these elements of the remedy are being implemented and remain effective. The ESD serves to document the change in land use from commercial/light industrial to restricted-residential for Parcel A and reversion of the use of Lower Parcel C to the original use of commercial/light industrial. Based on this information, I believe the remedy is protective of public health and concur with the proposals. Please contact Ms. Charlotte Bethoney or me at 518-402-7860 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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